

राष्ट्रीय परीक्षण और अंशशोधन प्रयोगशाला प्रत्यायन बोर्ड NATIONAL ACCREDITATION BOARD FOR TESTING & CALIBRATION LABORATORIES

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No. NABL/RTI/267 (Appeal)/2015

September 18, 2015

To
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Sub: Information under Right to Information Act, 2005 (Appeal)

Sir

Please refer your online RT! appeal with registration no. MSTCH/A/2015/60054 dated 22/08/2015 (enclosed at F/A) which was forwarded to us by Department of Science and Technology and received in NABL on 17.09.15. The point wise reply of your questions is as follows:

Q1 – Please give information regarding action taken on Letter D.O. No 4159 PS/M (S&T&ES) 2015 dt. 6th May 2015 addressed to your good office by Mr. D. N. Singh Private Secretary to The Minister of Science & Technology & Earth Sciences, Government of India. A copy of the said letter is enclosed herewith. Also please give information on reasons for taking action on the said letter. Reply 1-

A Reply to letter D.O. No 4159 PS/M (S&T&ES) 2015 dt. 6th May 2015 forwarded by Mr. D. N. Singh Private Secretary to The Minister of Science & Technology & Earth Sciences, Government of India, has been sent on 17.09.2015.

Q2 — Please give information regarding action taken on Letter MFPI/FSSAI/02/2014 dt 11th May 2015 addressed to your good office by Mr. K. B. Subramanian, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India. A copy of the said letter is enclosed herewith. Also please give information on reasons for taking action on the said letter.

A reply to letter MFPI/FSSAI/02/2014 dt 11th May 2015 forwarded by Mr. K. B. Subramanian, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India, has been sent on 17.09.2015.

Q3 — Please give information regarding action taken on Letter MFPI/FSSAI/02/2014 dt 6th April 2015 addressed to your good office by Mr. K. B. Subramanian, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India. A copy of the said letter is enclosed herewith. Also please give information on reasons for taking action on the said letter.

A reply to letter MFPI/FSSAI/02/2014 dt 6th April 2015 forwarded by Mr. K. B. Subramanian, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India, has been sent on 17.09.2015.

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Q4 – Please provide copies of relevant information concerning questions 1,2 and 3. Reply 4-

Copy of the letters enclosed (3 pages at F/B)

Q5 – If accreditation as per ISO/IEC 17025:2005 provided by any of the National / International Accreditation body including NABL, New Deihi is accepted by the Department of Science & Technology, Government of India for consideration of Recognition of Private Laboratories under applicable Acts / Regulations. If no, then please give information on reasons for such decisions. Reply 5 -

Department of Science and Technology (DST) as a department has no mandate to comment on the statement.

Further DST has no scheme to recognize Accreditation bodies for grant of accreditation to private laboratories.

Q6 – If accreditation as per ISO 15189:2012 provided by any of the National / International Accreditation body including NABL, New Delhi is accepted by the Department of Science & Technology, Government of India for consideration of Recognition of Private Medical Laboratories under applicable Acts / Regulations. If no, then please give information on reasons for such decisions.

Reply 6 -

Department of Science and Technology (DST) as a department has no mandate to comment on the statement.

Further DST has no scheme to recognize Accreditation bodies for grant of accreditation to private medical laboratories.

I hope you find it in order.

Yours faithfully,

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Ref: Your letter dt. 25th April 2015, forwarded by Minister for Science & Technology and Earth Sciences vide letter D.O. No 4159 PS/M (S&T&ES) 2015 dt 6th May 2015

Sub: Recognition of Accreditation services for Testing and Calibration Laboratories provided by Accreditation Commission for Conformity assessment bodies (ACCAB), as per the WTO agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade and the Competition Act of India.

Sir,

This has reference to the subject cited above; we would like to state that recognition of any accreditation body is the choice of the user agency who is implementing the programs in their respective sectors.

Secondly, an Accreditation body builds the confidence and trust of its users /customers over a period of time.

Further it is stated that, there is no scheme with the Department of Science and Technology to recognize the accreditation bodies.

Hope you appreciate the above.

Yours faithfully

(Alok Jain) Technical Manager